

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 404
By McDonald

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Jessica Elise Pugh, 2005
Co-Valedictorian of Westmoreland High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Jessica Pugh is one such exceptional student who was recently named Co-Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class at Westmoreland High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Jessica Pugh has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Jessica has earned an exemplary grade point average; and

WHEREAS, not content to utilize her many talents and capabilities solely in the classroom, Jessica is involved in many extracurricular activities, including FCA, FBLA, Beta Club, the Spanish Club, and the Choir; she acts as Editor of the school newspaper and also served with distinction as her Freshman Class's Secretary and Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, even with her many responsibilities, Jessica has still found time to be actively involved with Bethpage United Methodist Church and to serve as the Treasurer of her church's youth group for an impressive four years; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, she has received many honors and awards, including the Honors Algebra I award, Honors World History award, Honors Physical Science award, the Keyboarding award, Honors English 10 award, Honors Algebra II award, Career Management award, Honors Pre-Calculus award, and the Desktop Publishing award; and

WHEREAS, this remarkable young woman was selected to participate in the National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine in Phoenix, Arizona, in June of 2004; and

WHEREAS, as a well-rounded person, Jessica enjoys many activities, including reading and scuba diving, and she has received her SCUBA Diving Open Water Certification; and

WHEREAS, her strong faith in God and her family are the attributes that are most important to her; and

WHEREAS, Jessica's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Jessica Pugh's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her family, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Jessica Pugh's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2005 Westmoreland High School Co-Valedictorian, Jessica Elise Pugh, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.